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SUBJECT: LONGSHOREMENS AT PORT OF ST. JOHN NB.

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1. AFTER STRIKE LASTING NEARLY 3 WEEKS, LOCAL 273 OF THE INTL ASSOCIATION (ILA) SIGNED A COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT ON FEB 19 WITH MARITIME EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATION (MEA).

2. WAGE PACKET IDENTIAL TO INCREASES SECURED BY LOCAL 269 IN HALIFAX DOCK STRIKE IN NOV LAST YEAR, NAMELY, 50 CENTS PER HOUR FOR 1973, 30 CENTS PER HOUR FOR 1974, AND 30 CENTS PER HOUR EFFECTIVE JAN 1975.

3. MUCH CONTESTED ISSUE OF WHETHER 20 ROYALTY PER TON FOR BULK PAPER SHIPS TO BE CONTINUED, WON BY UNION.

4. SHIPPERS WILL NOW HAVE TO PAY 62 CENTS PER TON TO PENSION FUND INSTEAD OF 69 CENTS PER MAN HOUR WORKED. THIS LIKELY TO INCREASE COST TO SHIPPER FROM ABOUT \$1,000 TO \$5,000 PER VESSEL WORKED. WILL RESULT IN INCREASE IN PENSION FROM \$125 TO \$250 PER MONTH FOR LONGSHOREMEN RETIRING AT AGE 65 WITH REQUISITE

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YEARS OF SERVICE. MEA HAS ALSO ADDED ANOTHER 13 CENTS TO 62

CENT FIGURE PAYABLE TO SHIPPER TO DEFRAY COSTS OF RUNNING
THEIR OWN LOCAL OFFICES.

5. ANOTHER POINT WON BY UNION WAS TWO AND ONE HALF YEAR
CONTRACT INSTEAD OF THREE.

6. LONGSHOREMEN WILL BEGIN WORKING 5 VESSELS NOW AT ST. JOHNS
FEB 20.
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